

## **AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS**

The listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

### **Listing of the Claims**

Claims 1-16 (cancelled)

Claim 17 (currently amended): A cigarette having a tobacco rod wrapped in paper, the tobacco rod having a location along its length where a smoke constituent is maximized, and an inhibitor/attenuator of the smoke constituent solely at that location, and wherein the ~~inhibitor/attenuator is ammonium bicarbonate~~ remainder of the cigarette is substantially free of said inhibitor/attenuator.

Claim 18 (previously presented): A cigarette as in claim 17 wherein the smoke constituent is an aldehyde.

Claim 19 (previously presented): A cigarette as in claim 17 wherein the smoke constituent is formaldehyde.

Claim 20 (currently amended): A cigarette having a tobacco rod wrapped in paper, and ammonium bicarbonate on the paper over a portion along its length where a smoke constituent is maximized, and wherein the remainder of the paper is substantially free of ammonium biocarbonate.

Claim 21 (currently amended): A cigarette comprising a tobacco rod, said tobacco rod comprising tobacco, a wrapper and ammonium bicarbonate at a location

along the tobacco rod where a smoke constituent is maximized, and wherein the remainder of the tobacco rod is substantially free of said inhibitor/attenuator.